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Senate Resolution 770

By: Senator Butler of the 55th

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Marcus Ball for his outstanding achievements as a senior football player for

- 2 the Stephenson High School football team; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Marcus Ball, of Stone Mountain, Georgia, played as a safety for the Stephenson
- 4 High School Jaguars, and this past season, led the Jaguars to a 12-2 record and to the state
- 5 semifinals; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Marcus Ball has been ranked as one of the top football players throughout his
- 7 high school football career, and was named the Georgia AAAAA Defensive Player of the
- 8 Year and Comcast Sports Southeast Most Valuable Player; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Marcus Ball's season totals include 150 tackles and three interceptions, and he
- 10 is also ranked fourth in the nation in punting, averaging 38.4 yards a kick; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Marcus Ball was selected to be a member of the 2005 Parade Magazine's
- 12 All-American football team, the Georgia AAAAA First Team, as well as the Comcast Sports
- 13 Southeast Chevy All-Star first team, making him currently one of the most highly recruited
- 14 football players in Georgia; and
- 15 WHEREAS, this exceptional young athlete has demonstrated remarkable ability, motivation,
- 16 resilience, and teamwork and has rightfully earned the reputation as one of the best high
- 17 school football players in the nation; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Marcus Ball is an athlete of extraordinary talent which is unlikely to be
- 19 duplicated; and
- 20 WHEREAS, DeKalb County, the State of Georgia, and the nation have much to look forward
- 21 to in Marcus Ball's future.

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1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that this body commends

- 2 Marcus Ball on his phenomenal performance as a member of the Stephenson High School
- 3 football team and wishes him every success in his future endeavors.
- 4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 5 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Marcus Ball.